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**MAGNET SCHOOL OF DISTINCTION AWARD LETTER  
IMPORTANT DEADLINE DATES FOR PARTICIPATION**

February 15, 2012

Dear Concepcion I. Martinez, *Principal*:

Congratulations!

Young Women's Preparatory Academy has been selected for **Magnet School of Distinction Award**. This national award by Magnet Schools of America is based on a commitment to high academic standards, curriculum innovation, successful diversity efforts, and the consistent delivery of high quality education to students. Schools with the "Magnet Schools of Excellence" status are also in competition for one of several cash awards as defined in the 2012 Merit School Application.

The Magnet School of Distinction Award presentation will be Sunday, May 20 during the Awards Breakfast at the 30th National Conference on Magnet Schools, hosted by Dallas Independent School District, Texas May 18 – 21, 2012. Reader "Feedback" will be mailed separately.

**The following are required to participate:**

1. Confirm that you (or a designee) will attend to receive your school award.
2. Register at [www.magnet.edu](http://www.magnet.edu) by **February 29, 2012** to be guaranteed the early bird rate.
3. Make your hotel reservations at the Hilton Anatole Hotel; a credit card is needed to guarantee reservation.
4. Complete the School Information Sheet (attached) and fax to 202-737-0100 by February 29, 2012.  
**A SAMPLE press release for your use is also attached.**

**NOTE:** If you or no representative will be attending the conference, your Merit School of Distinction plaque will be mailed following the conference.

A sample Press Release is included for your use.

Once again, congratulations!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert G. Brooks".

Dr. Robert G. Brooks, Executive Director

Enclosures: Sample Press Release and Confirmation Form

**MISSION STATEMENT**

*Magnet Schools of America provides leadership for innovative instructional programs that promote equity, diversity, and academic excellence for all students in public school choice programs.*

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March 13, 2012

Young Womens Preparatory Academy  
Concepcion Martinez, Principal  
1150 SW 1 Street  
Miami, FL 33130-1042

Dear Ms. Martinez:

It is with great pleasure that I write to congratulate you, your team, your students, their families and your community partners for placing in the top ten percent of all combination high schools in the State of Florida in the 2011 ranking of Florida schools.

It takes hard work and commitment to achieve this level of accomplishment. Ranking in the top ten percent speaks to a spirit of teamwork and the support of a school by the community it serves. Your school serves as a point of pride for the community and for the state.

High-quality education offers students a pathway to a successful future. Thank you for your efforts on behalf of your students and best wishes for continued success.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gerard Robinson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Gerard Robinson

GR/dr